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Conference on Safety of Dams
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT AND GANAGA REJUVENATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether a national conference on dam safety was held recently;

(b) if so, the details of the issues that came up for discussion and the plan of action mooted therein for the safety of the dams and replacement of very old dams in the country;

(c) whether the conference identified very old dams susceptible to mishaps and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the concrete suggestions made for their safety and the steps taken/to be taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR WATER RESOURCES, RIVER DEVELOPMENT & GANGA REJUVENATION

(DR. SANJEEV KUMAR BALYAN)

(a) Yes, Madam. Central Water Commission (CWC) in association with Uttarakhand Jal Vidyut Nigam (UJVN) Ltd. and IIT, Roorkee organized the Third National Dam Safety Conference during 18th and 19th February 2017 at IIT, Roorkee.

(b) to (d) The various issues pertaining to safety of dams such as health of ageing dams and corrective measures; flood management at existing dams; planning, design, construction and rehabilitation of dams, novel technologies; Innovations in assessment based maintenance of dams; institutional strengthening for sustainable dam safety initiatives; emergency action plan for dams towards disaster resilience were discussed during total of six technical sessions in the Conference.

The National Dam Safety Conferences are organized to share the knowledge and experience of dam professionals, which are helpful in determining the strategies for addressing dam safety issues. Recommendations emerging from the deliberations at the Conference have been consolidated for publishing along with accepted technical papers in the form of a compendium. The compendium is circulated to the State Governments and other dam owning agencies, academic & research institutes and website https://www.damsafety.in/ has been created for their reference and implementation.

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